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Over-snow vehicle use designation comment period extended a second time Scoping comments now due November 30

QUINCY, Calif. – November 10, 2015 – The scoping period for the Forest Service environmental impact statement (EIS) will be extended for a second time on a proposal to designate over-snow vehicle (OSV) use on roads, trails and areas on lands within the Plumas National Forest. Scoping comments will now be due on November 30, 2015. "While comments are welcome throughout the environmental process, for this phase of planning they are most helpful if submitted by November 30," said Daniel Lovato, Acting Forest Supervisor.

About February 2017, the forest will release a draft EIS for another round of public comment. Comments received at that time will be considered in the development of the final EIS. A decision on the project will be made following the completion of a final EIS in August 2017.

Designating OSV use on the Forest will ensure over-snow vehicle activity (such as snowmobile riding and trail grooming) is effectively managed to: provide access; ensure OSV use when there is adequate snow; promote the safety of all users; enhance public enjoyment; minimize impacts to natural and cultural resources; and minimize conflicts among users.

More information, including the proposed action and opportunities for comment, is available at: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47124.

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